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In re application of:

CUTHBERTSON, Andrew

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RESPONSE

Box Non-Fee Amendment
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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated July 16, 2002 (Paper No. 17), in the above-captioned application. Please consider the remarks made herein in response to the Office Action.

This response is submitted within the shortened statutory period ending August 16, 2002, for responding to the Office Action, thereby making this response timely. Although Applicant believes that no fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees, including any extension fees, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. 468648-01106 (A-59553-2/RFT/AXG)).

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 13-24 are pending in the present application and are subject to restriction requirement.